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LCSC Presents "BWC Web Site Update" And Other Safety Web Site Options

The Lake County Safety Council presents:

An update on the Bureau of Workers' Compensation web site by Karen Jensen, librarian with the Ohio BWC Division of Safety and Hygiene. She assists customers from inside and outside the BWC with occupational safety informational requests. She will discuss:

- ▶ Finding Safety Information More Easily
- ▶ Eliminating Lengthy BWC & Internet Searches
- ▶ Exploring a Variety of Other Safety Web Sites

TIME: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., registration @ 11:15 a.m.

DATE: Friday, February 27, 2009

SITE: **Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites LaMalfa**
@ Route 2 and Heisley Road

RSVP: **Registration by phone 440-255-0877 (OR)**

By e-mail to: mark@mentorchamber.org

COST: \$18 reporting members, \$20 non-members

2009 Safety Council Dates/Topics

Friday, Feb. 27, 2009	BWC Web Site Update
Friday, March 27	Business Approach to Safety Management
Friday, April 24	Awards Banquet

Friday, May 15	Friday, September 18
Friday, June 19	Friday, October 16
Friday, July 24	Friday, November 20
Friday, August 21	Friday, December 11

If there is a specific topic you would like to see addressed at a 2009 safety council meeting, please e-mail - mark@mentorchamber.org

Proper MCO Use Can Lower Expenses

If your firm anticipates financial challenges during the coming year, there are opportunities to lower overhead costs. It is now more important than ever for employers to use the tools of their Managed Care Organization (MCO) to control their workers' compensation program and costs.

While most employers understand their Third Party Administrator (TPO) can help them reduce costs through, for example, group rating, claims settlement and handicapped reimbursement, many do not realize their workers' compensation MCO plays an equally important role in keeping costs low.

Firms that are state-funded employers in Ohio are required to use a certified MCO. There are three primary functions performed by the MCO that can help reduce worker's compensation costs:

- **Early Intervention in Workers' Compensation Claims**
- **Successful Medical and Return to Work Management**
- **Reduced Medical Costs**

Employers must ensure their MCO is successfully performing these actions. If firms believe their MCO is not performing at a high level in these areas, they probably are paying higher premiums to the Ohio BWC that they should.



**Lake Hospital
System**

Lake Hospital System Provides “One-Stop-Shopping” For Employers

Lake Hospital System’s Occupational Health Department has multiple facilities to meet area companies’ needs. The walk-in centers located in Willowick, Mentor, Madison and Chardon offer seven-day-a-week coverage with expanded hours of operations. LakeEast and LakeWest emergency rooms provide 24/7 injury care when the walk-in centers are closed.

Lake Hospital System is the optimum resource for occupational health throughout Lake County and the surrounding area. Lake Hospital System is a non-profit BWC Workers’ Compensation provider for the BWC Drug Free Workplace Program. Lake Hospital System offers Employee Assistance Programs and referral services. The system’s Occupational Health Services group offers a full range of examinations, screenings, rehabilitation services and wellness programs to meet companies’ health care needs.

Occupational Health Services include:

Twenty-Four Hour Injury Care	Drug & Alcohol Abuse Testing	Pre-Placement Physicals & WebCheck
Local MRO Services	DOT Physicals	Random Drug Pull Program
DOT Consortium	On-Site Mobile Audio Testing	Wellness Screenings & Programs
DOT Drug & Alcohol Testing	Random Substance Abuse Testing	Flu Shots

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Interlake Stamping
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Kemper House
Kennedy Group
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Ohio Moulding, Inc.
OMNI Cart
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Painesville City Schools
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Perfection Corporation
Permanent Solution Staffing
Perry Joint Fire District and Perry Township
Polychem Corporation
Preformed Line Products
Quality Assurance Supported Living
RT & T Machining
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Safety Control Technology
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Willo Security
Wiloughby-Eastlake Library
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Sponsors: **LAKE HOSPITAL SYSTEM & NORTHCOAST SHREDDING/RECYCLING**

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Speaker: Brad Hunt, MBA, RiskControl 360
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BWC-Ohio Safety Congress & Expo Set for Columbus Convention Center

Safety council members are encouraged to attend Ohio's largest occupational safety and health event. On March 31 through April 2 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center, the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation will be presenting OSC/09 the Ohio Safety Congress & Expo. Those attending will be presented with programs to help reduce training costs for employees at 150 educational sessions. Attendees can earn free CEUs for accreditation and BWC discount programs. Free registration began January 1. For information visit—ohiobwc.com or call 1-800-ohiobwc. Fewer injuries means lower workers' compensation costs.

Please remember to make a reservation. We appreciate it. The caterer does too. Thanks!

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